(c) if so, the details thereof including the status of such extensions *e.g.* whether full campus or only study centres for conducting some management skill development programmes or franchise etc. and terms of enrolment of potential students at such extensions;

(d) whether Government's approval has been accorded to their proposals;

(e) if so, the basis thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons for refusing the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) The information is being collected from IIMs and will be laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

(b) to (f) The Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore is currently examining the viability of setting up a campus abroad.

Security to academics

127. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the academics are against heavy security on campuses;

(b) if so, whether Government had held talks with them;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) Academic institutions are autonomous bodies, and decisions relating to security in campuses are taken by them as per their own requirements. As such, Government has no role to play in such issues unless approached by institutions with specific security concerns, if any.

Telecast of IGNOU programmes

128. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indira Gandhi National Open University telecasts educational programmes in English and Hindi through Gyan Darshan;